

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 1039**

LCO No. 5018

**AN ACT CONCERNING GENERAL CONTRACTOR LIABILITY FOR
WAGES AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) Notwithstanding any
2 provisions of the general statutes, a general contractor and any
3 subcontractor serving at the direction of such general contractor shall
4 be jointly liable to any employee of such subcontractor, or any
5 employee of a lower tier subcontractor, for (1) any unpaid wages
6 earned by the employee while working for such subcontractor, or a
7 lower tier subcontractor, while the subcontractor was serving at the
8 direction of such general contractor, and (2) any unpaid workers'
9 compensation claims resulting from an injury to the employee that
10 occurred while working for such subcontractor, or a lower tier
11 subcontractor, while the subcontractor was serving at the direction of
12 such general contractor.

13 (b) Any general contractor who is required to make any payment as
14 a result of a subcontractor's or lower tier subcontractor's failure to pay
15 wages or benefits pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, may bring
16 a civil action in the Superior Court to recover no more than the
17 damages sustained by the general contractor by reason of making such
18 payment, together with costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
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